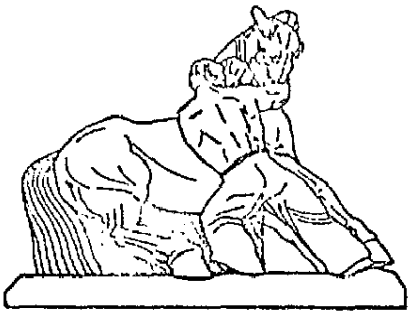

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FTC ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF TESTING OF TAR AND NICOTINE CONTENT OF CIGARETTES

The Federal Trade Commission today announced results of its latest tests for tar and nicotine content of 130 varieties of domestic cigarettes.

Of the cigarettes tested, the tar content varied from 2 to 31 milligrams, and the nicotine content ranged from 0.2 to 2.1 milligrams.

Samples used in the testing were obtained by purchasing, where available, two packages of each variety of cigarettes in each of 50 geographic locations throughout the country. All varieties were not available in each of these locations and in those cases, one or more additional packages were purchased in those locations where the respective varieties were available.

The tests just completed marked the thirteenth time since 1967 that the FTC has listed tar and nicotine data for all varieties of domestic cigarettes obtained from a single testing period.

Details of the test results may be obtained from Legal and Public Records, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580.

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